

Rep Skelton

TO : Mr. Cary	DATE OF REQUEST 1 April - 1215
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SUBJECT: Briefing of Rep. Skelton (D., Mo.) on Soviet Civil Defense -- (2) <i>file</i>	

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Set for Wednesday, 6 April, at 0800. [redacted] will do the briefing. I'll bring ~~him~~ *Skelton* up on the DCI's elevator and in to meet you or LLM briefly. We'll try to have coffee and doughnuts for those of us who are drowsy at that time.

Skelton doesn't drive, so he would be driven here for the briefing and then have his driver wait until he is ready to go on to the Hill. I suggested that we might be able to pick Skelton up at his home in McLean, and get him on to the Hill, if that would be more convenient for him. His man Edwards will call back on that.

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SUBJECT: Request for briefing on Soviet civil defense for Rep. Ike Skelton, (D., Mo.) a freshman, at Hqs on 4 or 6 April at 0800.

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Skelton's AA, Gary Edwards, called to say that Skelton is working on ways to possibly improve the civil defense procedures in his area, which is the home of Whitmore Air Force Base with ICBMs, making it (in Skelton's view) a prime target for enemy attack.

He would like to be briefed on the latest in Soviet civil defense procedures, as background for his work on the District's civil defense program.

He would like the briefing Monday, 4 April or Wednesday, 6 April at 8 am -- 0800. He lives in McLean, and would be pleased to come to Headquarters for the briefing. His schedule is tight for the rest of the abbreviated Congressional work week -- Easter holidays begin on Thursday. And he wants the briefing before going on vacation.

Edwards has been doing all the overt research on the matter and asked to be able to sit in. However, he has no clearances, and I explained that that would probably lead us to ask that he not participate. He regretted this probability, but understands.

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reports that he can arrange such a briefing for Monday or Wednesday at Hqs at 0800.

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12 April 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: 6 April 1977, Briefing of Representative Ike Skelton (D., Mo.)
on Soviet Civil Defense

1. Representative Skelton came to Headquarters at 0800 hours on 6 April 1977, apropos his concern about civil defense measures in his district which is home to Whiteman Air Force Base and ICBM sites. He wonders if he should get people concerned about taking more effective civil defense measures, and whether that would do any good.
2. [] of OSR conducted the briefing. Mr. Skelton was very interested and attentive throughout, and asked appropriate questions.
3. Mr. Skelton requested any relevant, unclassified material which he might use as the basis for public statements. We promised to send him what there is. [] said that work is underway on a new estimate inter-Agency memorandum on Soviet civil defense posture, scheduled for publication in September.
4. Mr. Skelton asked what he should do as a Congressman and what more the U.S. should do. We pointed out that the latter was a matter on which the CIA could not comment, and suggested the Department of Defense might help. He said he has already talked with DoD people.
5. Mr. Skelton went away grateful for the briefing, but still sorely puzzled as to what he should do.

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